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SUBJECT: AZERBAIJAN'S RESPONSE TO PRE-NOTIFICATION FOR
UPCOMING UNSCR 1267 LISTING REQUEST OF REVIVAL OF ISLAMIC
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REF: A. SECSTATE 48113
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Classified By: Pol/Econ Chief Joan Polaschik per 1.4 (b,d)

(S/NF) On May 20 Poloff delivered ref a points regarding the listing request of the Revival of Islamic Heritage Society (RIHS) under UNSCR 1267 to Yalchin Rafiyev, an officer in the MFA's Security Affairs Department. Rafiyev acknowledged the GOAJ's closure of RIHS in 2001 and stressed the GOAJ's general commitment to counterterrorism. He was unable to offer a substantive answer to our request for co-sponsoring the proposed listing but promised he would deliver the message to his superiors. Rafiyev also said he was unable to provide any further information on RIHS activity in Azerbaijan since the closure. (Comment: In our previous discussions of RIHS, GOAJ officials have stressed that they were unaware of any RIHS activity in Azerbaijan since its closure in 2001, ref b.)
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